

E-002/GR-87-670GRANTING PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

BEFORE THE MINNESOTA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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In the Matter of the Application of Northern States Power Company for Authority to Increase Its Rates for Electric Service in Minnesota

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ORDER GRANTING PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On August 23, 1988, the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission (the Commission) issued its Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Order in the above-captioned proceeding.

Timely petitions for reconsideration of that Order were filed by Northern States Power Company, the North American Water Office, the Minnesota Department of Public Service, and the Residential Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

Under Minn. Stat. Sec. 216B.27, subd 4 (1986), any application for rehearing not granted within 20 days from the date of its filing is deemed denied. The Commission believes that the petitions for reconsideration deserve careful review. In order to allow sufficient time for the Commission to fully review and address the parties' arguments raised in their petitions, the Commission will grant all timely filed petitions for reconsideration for purposes of examining the claims raised in the petitions. The Commission will schedule deliberations on the petitions at a later time.

ORDER

1. The petitions for reconsideration and rehearing filed by Northern States Power Company, the North American Water Office, the Minnesota Department of Public Service, and the Residential Utilities Division of the Office of the Attorney General are hereby granted as to the issues raised in the petitions. A Commission Order determining the issues raised in the petitions will be issued after rehearing.
2. This Order shall become effective immediately.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION

Mary Ellen Hennen
Executive Secretary

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